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Tribes host grand opening of new head start learning center in Canton

By Rosemary Stephens
Editor-in-Chief

When ground was broke on land just south of the Canton Lucky Star Casino for a new head start learning center, it was only a vision.

On Jan. 18, 2013 that vision became a reality with the grand opening of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' 6,400 square foot, state of the art, learning center in Canton, Okla.

Equipped with bigger classrooms, an indoor gymnasium, safe room and many other amenities, tribal officials, teachers, students and Canton community members gathered to mark the official opening of the school with a blessing ceremony, ribbon cutting and buffet style lunch.

Above: The new 6,400 square foot head start learning center in Canton, Okla.

Right: The historical building that housed the head start classrooms.

"It means everything to us who have been out here teaching in Canton. I have been here 17 years with the program (head start) and we are so happy to be under one roof now. It is everything we need for the kids and the families … everything we wanted, so we are very proud to have this building," Shelene Washington, Canton Head Start center supervisor said. "One of the old buildings we were in is actually a historical building and it was hard to get approval to do anything to that building because of its status as a historical building. Things were falling apart, the rodents were bad, being so far out there in the field and that was a big problem. We needed to be in compliance with DHS regulations and it was becoming increasingly difficult to do that in those old buildings. Even the modular building had some plumbing problems and water leaks, but like I said we are just so happy to be in this new building."

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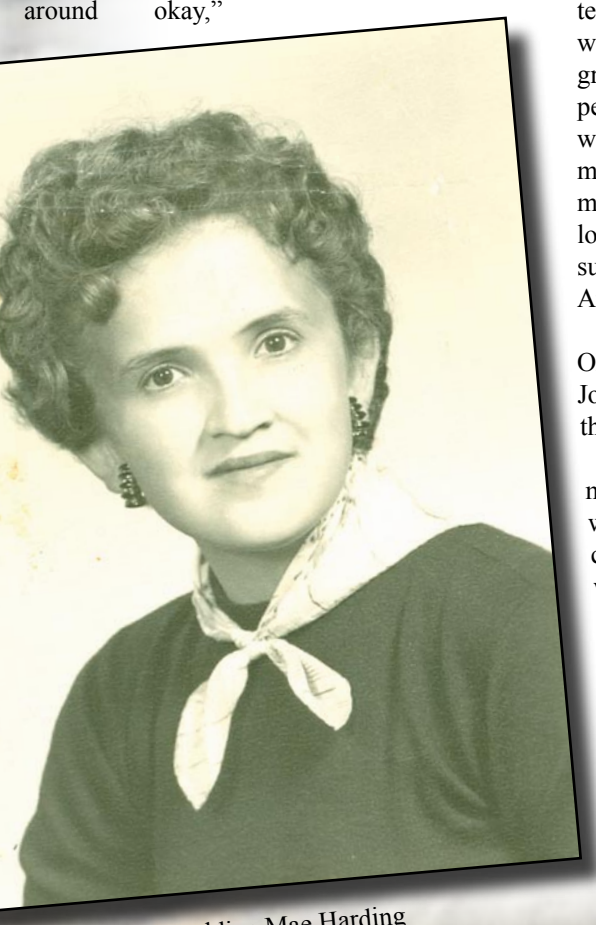
Life's Journeys
Despite tragedies, surgeries, elder finds joy in life

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Geraldine Mae Harding, 72, slowly shuffles down the hallway, holding onto her walker for support, appearing fragile, but with a smile across her face. She puts forth a welcoming warmth as she makes her way to a chair.

"I don't move so fast anymore, but I still get around okay,"



Geraldine Mae Harding

Harding laughed.

Born to an Arapaho mother, Florene Koen and white father, Wilmer Grinstead, Harding said she never felt the stigma of being a daughter from an interracial marriage.

"My dad would tease my mom sometimes and tell her, 'I got me an old squaw,' but my mom would just laugh and tell him to be quiet. My great grandmother was Martha "Minnie" Pepperdyne and my great-great grandmother's name was Snake Lady," Harding said struggling to remember the details of her early life. "My parents met at a dance hall and they loved each other a lot … I never remember there ever being an issue with him being white and my mom being Arapaho."

Harding was born April 6, 1940 in Oakwood, Okla. where she said she and her two sisters, Joann and Sharon, would play the days away in the Oklahoma sunshine.

"My mom stayed at home and raised us … my dad worked at Southard, a gypsum plant. I was a tomboy and I liked to climb as high as I could up in trees," Harding giggled. "My mom would stand at the bottom and say, 'when you come down from there you are going to be in so much trouble.' Guess she was afraid I would fall or something, but I never did and even after getting in trouble I still would climb those trees."

Like most families at that time, most of the food they ate was grown in the family garden.

"My mom had a big garden and we grew tomatoes, green beans, okra, lettuce … most everything we ate came out of that garden," Harding said.

Harding remembers her life as a child as being happy and non-eventful the first few years they lived in Oakwood, until the death of her brother Gerald.

"I was about 10 years old and my brother, Gerald, died when he was 3, he had polio. When he died it really impacted me … I thought about him all the time and I have never forgotten him. I had another brother and sister too, but they both died at birth," Harding reflected for a moment. "I don't think my mother ever got over my brother Gerald dying … everything just seemed to change."

Harding said she attended elementary school in Southard, until they lost their school and her and her family relocated to Canton.

"I played basketball, was pretty good I thought and I got along with the other kids and teachers, but it was a hard move on my parents and on us. There were whites and Indians going to school in Canton and they all knew I was Arapaho," Harding recounted, sometimes stopping to confer with her daughter Sherry. "I heard the word half breed sometimes but I just let that roll right off of me, I was proud to be Arapaho. I don't really remember the time frame, but I went to live with my grandma Koen for a year and I really liked that."

She said she remembers going to town with her grandma, learning to cook different cakes and breads and most of all eating ice cream.

"My grandma knew how to speak Arapaho, but she always talked to me in English,"

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Forensic artist inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Museum and Hall of Fame

By Rebecka Lyman, Reporter/Ad Sales

Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations (OSBI), forensic artist Harvey Pratt was one of six people inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Museum and Hall of Fame on Jan. 12, 2013 at the Oklahoma History Museum in Oklahoma City.

The afternoon's ceremony began with Oklahoma Lt. Gov. Todd Lamb welcoming everyone to the fourth annual hall of fame ceremony.

"As a father and husband I say to you thank you and as a fellow law enforcement brother, once a gun toter myself … once a cop always a cop, I say to you and your families congratulations," Lamb said.

Lamb read a signed proclamation letter from Oklahoma's Gov. Mary Fallin, stating that Jan. 12, be named Oklahoma Law Enforcement Day.

"The six recipients will receive a special induction honor medallion in the name of Deputy U.S. Marshal Bill Tilgham, along with personal artifacts of their service that will also be on display at the Oklahoma History Museum," Mike Thompson, emcee and Oklahoma Department of Public Safety commissioner said.

Photos by Rebecka Lyman

Harvey Pratt, OSBI agent (center) is honored with the Bill Tilgham public award at the fourth annual Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame induction. Presented by Pratt's co-worker and friend, Dick Wilkerson, OSBI agent (left) and Oklahoma's Lt. Gov. Todd Lamb (right).

He described Deputy U.S. Marshal Bill Tilgham as a dauntless man in his pursuit of outlaws in the old west, along with fellow U.S. Marshals Heck Thomas and Chris Maden.

"Three lawmen became legendary as they began cleaning up part of what became the State of Oklahoma in 1889. They were widely considered honest, dutiful, and capable, reporting arrests in excess of some 300 desperadoes and killing many others. They were known as the Three Guardsmen and each was known for their unique tracking abilities. Just as Bill, Heck and Thomas, the men here today are being honored for their show of honesty, duty and their capabilities in law enforcement for the citizens of Oklahoma," Thompson said.

Pratt, known globally for his efforts in law enforcement, was honored during the ceremony. His skills and artistic gift has involved him in many high profile murder cases such as, The Sirloin Stockade murders, The Green River Killer and with serial killers Ted Bundy, Henry Lucas and Otis O'Toole.

"Well what can I say … Harvey Pratt is one of those types of guys everyone wants to work with. Harvey was born in El Reno, Okla. and was raised with traditional values in the Cheyenne way of life. He began working for the Midwest City Police Department in 1965. During his time as a police officer he did his first witness description of a homicide suspect, which led to an arrest and conviction. Pratt then joined the OSBI in 1972. Having spent over 43 years in law enforcement he has completed thousands of witness description drawings and hundreds of soft tissue reconstructions," Dick Wilkerson, OSBI agent said. "Pratt is considered a leading expert for his interview techniques used in law enforcement across the United States. His technique aids, not only in drawing of facial features, but extracting additional suspect information that has proven to expedite investigations and aid in narrowing suspect lists. Not only do his co-workers and peers respect Harvey, he is also highly respected by his Cheyenne people by being appointed into the Southern Cheyenne Chiefs Lodge as one of the traditional Cheyenne Chiefs ... so please help me in welcoming Harvey as we all honor him for his high standards of work ethics and noted dedication to the people of Oklahoma and around the world."

As the audience clapped, Pratt approached the podium smiling with his head slightly bowed.

"I believe that there are basic rules to follow, so you follow them, but there are times that you have to venture beyond the basic rules and change with the changing times and I have been lucky in making the right decision at the right time. Training gives you guidelines to follow, I have always looked for the better way to achieve my goals and sometimes that is going beyond training and trying new techniques and new ideas," Pratt said.

In growing up Pratt said people did not give him much credit in the possibility of a successful future.

"The best advice I have ever been given is to always tell the truth. I have been told many times different advice that has benefited me in particular situations, but honor, integrity and bravery mean a lot to me and I wouldn't want to dishonor myself or others," Pratt said. "I am honored to be associated with historical law men of merit, peers of the present times and men and woman of achievement. Growing up many people didn't give us (Native Americans) much credit for being successful in life, and that was a challenge and a reason for me to work hard and sacrifice many things."

When Pratt found out he was nominated and selected to be in the hall of fame, he said he felt pride, relief, happiness and a strong sense of accomplishment.

"As I look out over the crowd I look at my wife Gina, my children and grandchildren, and I see how happy they look and my friends, of many years, how happy they look," Pratt said. "When the crowd stood and applauded, I was almost overcome with emotion and just wanted to get down from the stage and sit down."

Pratt accepted his golden medallion from Lamb and said it is a wonderful feeling to be recognized for your life achievements, to make people proud of you and to help people.

"As I got older it became important to me to set an example for those that had the same background that I had growing up. That I was worthy and they too can be worthy, that just because poverty and hard times are challenging, the path that a person chooses has many decisions and crossroads, but it can be accomplished," Pratt said.

Also inducted during the ceremony was Eli 'Heck' Bruner who began his law enforcement career before Oklahoma became a state.

"Bruner was a U.S. Deputy Marshal commissioned in 1890 and chased armed gangs who were responsible for the sale of whisky, bank robberies and murders in Indian Territory," Robert Ernst Sr., presenter said.

The Department of U.S. Marshals accepted Bruner's medallion on his behalf.

Paul Roan, retired Oklahoma Highway Patrol officer presented a short film of Dan Combs, another inductee, and Oklahoma Highway Patrolman. The film showed his

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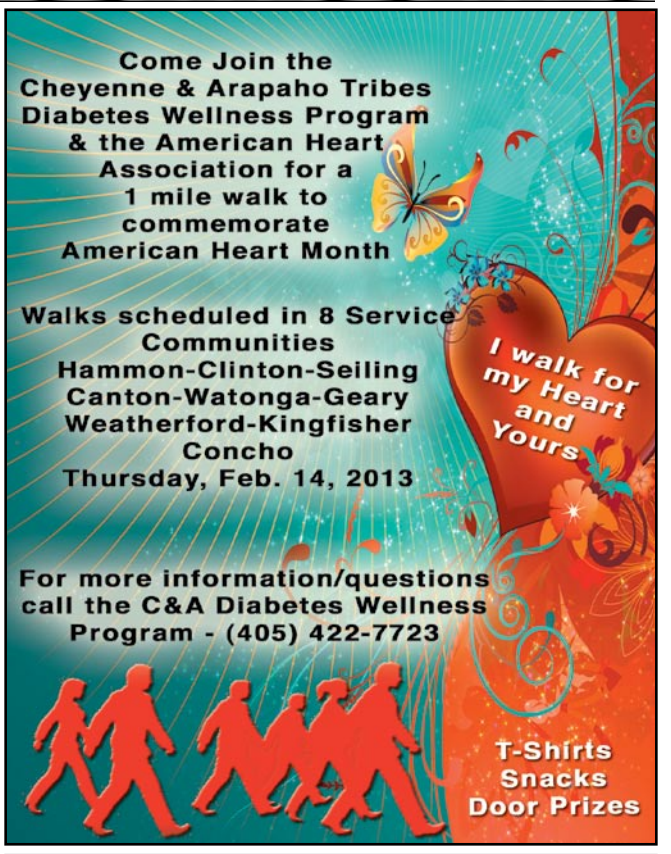


OSBI seek connection in Clinton burglary, homicide

By Evan Anderson

CLINTON, Oklahoma -- A woman is dead after a double shooting in Clinton, and now police and agents with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation are trying to connect the homicide to a burglary, which happened minutes later.

Jessica Jane Kauley, 35, was shot and killed at a home in the 1800 block of Hunt Street in Clinton, agents said. Clinton Police received a 911 call at about 2:20 a.m. on Dec. 27, 2012.

"Why did they have to kill her? Why did this have to happen?" said Emerald Fulsom, a close friend.

Family and friends react to the news of 35-year-old Jessica Kauley's sudden murder.

"We grew up together. She was really good friends of the family, and tragedy, not even the word," said Fulsom. "And it's right across the street from my grandmother. And I've known these people for a long time. And you know, it's shocking to hear that something like this has got to happen," said another friend of Kauley, Jada Flores.

About 30 minutes after the shooting happened, Clinton police got a call from a home about one-half mile away.

"I hear screaming. I hear glass break. And so I thought maybe a tree fell, you know, because, what else at 3 in the morning?" said Michael.

Michael, who didn't want to give his last name, says he managed to catch and hold what he thought was just a burglary suspect in his home for about 20 minutes until police arrived.

"I actually just got on top of him, and I took each one of his arms, and I crossed them over his neck, and I was holding his fist down on top of his neck," said Michael.

But he quickly found out the man in his house was more than just a petty thief. He says the suspect, 22-year-old Samuel Keeto, told him he shot a couple of people and one of them was his girlfriend.

"My dad called me. I was in the city. And he told me my sister had been shot in the head and that I needed to come home," said a sister of the victim, who did not want to be identified.

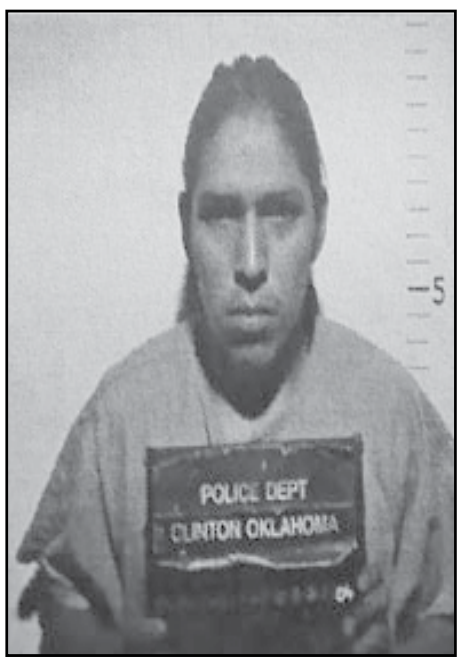
Police have booked Keeto in the Clinton City Jail for first-degree burglary. Now a family says they're waiting on answers on Kauley's murder.

"She didn't have to suffer, she didn't have to do that," said Kauley's sister. "Nobody should … nobody."

Neighbors say they're not sure why Kauley would have been at the home to begin with. She did not live at the home where she was murdered. Agents with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation have interviewed multiple witnesses, and the investigation continues.

The second victim in Thursday mornings shooting has been identified as Shawn Spottedwolf. He received non-life threatening injuries.

OSBI agents want to interview a person who picked up an injured individual in the area of N.18th Street and Hunt shortly after the murder took place. The unknown driver took the injured person to Clinton Regional Hospital. OSBI agents say that injured person is a witness in the homicide, and vital to the investigation.



Sam Keeto, 22 year old suspect in burglary, homocide in Clinton, Okla.

Editor's Note: George Hawkins brother of Jessica Jane Kauley is requesting help on any information in her death. Police and OSBI agents are investigating the homicide and are requesting anyone with information about her death to contact Shawn Wright, OSBI agent at (580) 585-7224.

Hawkins would also like to thank everyone who has helped and supported the family during their time of need.

Tribal justice reform slow-going in Indian Country

By Susan Montoya Bryan

ACOMA PUEBLO, N.M. (AP) In a desperate attempt to make it to the front door, Robin Sanchez crawled across the living room floor. Her ex-husband, fresh out of jail and intoxicated, used a wooden slat from one of the kitchen chairs to beat her.

She recalls how she was about to open the door when a loud crack resonated across her head. Blood gushed down her face as she heard her 3-year-old daughter cry, "Daddy, don't be mean to Mommy."

That September night in 2011 ended outside their home on the Acoma reservation in western New Mexico with tribal police officers, guns drawn, ordering Kirby Sanchez to release the mother of his child from a chokehold.

In this Jan. 2, 2013 photo, Robin Sanchez hugs her 5-year-old daughter, Nicholle, as she talks about surviving domestic violence during an interview at her home in Acoma Pueblo, N.M. Hope was high in 2010 when President Barack Obama signed the Tribal Law and Order Act, an overhaul intended to give tribal leaders more authority to combat crime on their reservations, but implementation of the law remains inconsistent on reservations nationwide. (AP Photo/Susan Montoya Bryan)

Scenes like this are far too common in Indian Country, where violent crime rates on some reservations are 20 times the national average. Women are especially vulnerable; federal statistics show that nearly half of all American Indian and Alaska Native women have experienced physical violence, sexual assault or stalking by an intimate partner and one in three will be raped in her lifetime.

That's why hope was high in 2010 when President Barack Obama signed the Tribal Law and Order Act, an overhaul intended to give tribal leaders more authority to combat crime on their reservations.

Among other things, the law expanded the sentencing authority of tribal courts, allowed for the appointment of special U.S. attorneys to prosecute violent crimes on reservation land and revamped training for reservation police officers.

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Rock music legend, Sammy Hagar, shakes up the stage at Lucky Star Casino Event Center

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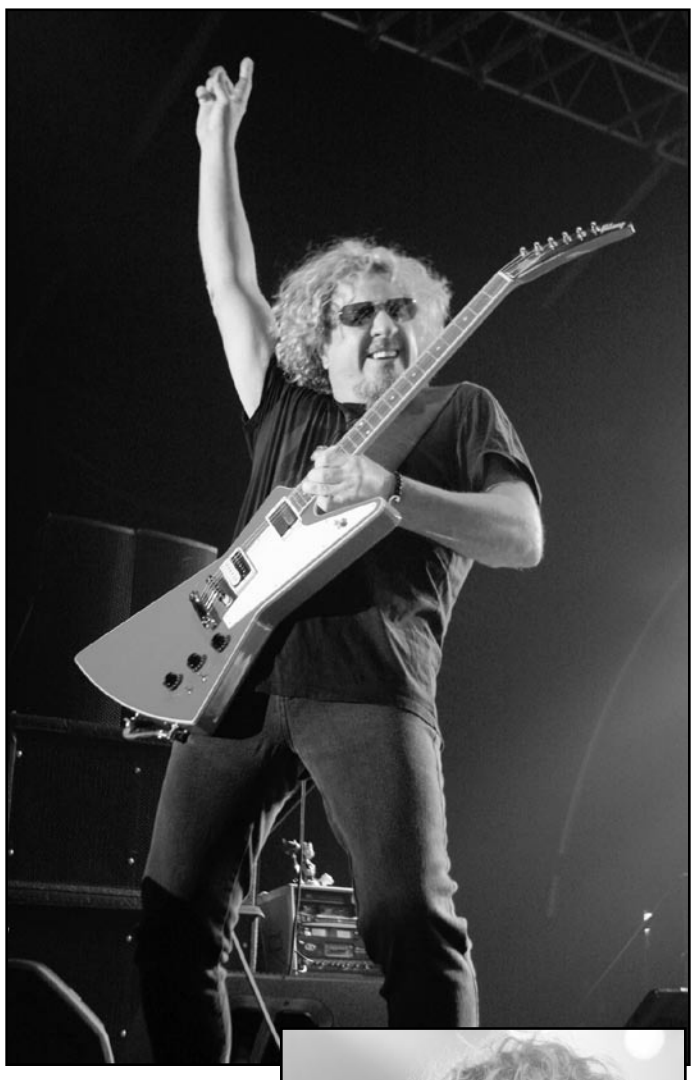


Backed by his band, the Wabos, the forever-grinning Sammy Hagar let his rocker persona fly through a best of set list on Jan. 20, 2013 at the Lucky Star Casino Event Center in Concho, Okla.

The sold out crowd first was treated to a pre-recorded, big screen video, time line of Hagar's work. Men and women cheered as still photographs and videos of Hagar's musical progression were seen before Hagar rushed out from back-stage to launch into medleys of *Rock Candy* and *Bad Motor Scooter*.

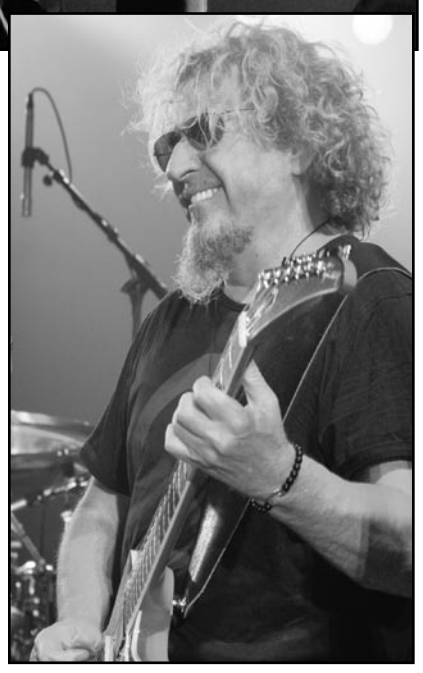
For almost 40 years, Hagar has been one of rock music's most dynamic and prolific artists. From breaking into the industry with the hard rock band, Montrose, to his multi-platinum solo career to his ride as the front man of Van Halen.

Hagar wore dark black sunglasses, black t-shirt, red tennis shoes and baggy black pants as he bounced around the stage.

"You all always want to invite me back during the winter months, what is up with that Concho?" Hagar said. "It is very rare to see me wearing long pants. Thank you for the welcoming, you guys are on fire tonight, I may need some scissors by the end of the night to cut these pants off."

The audience roared.

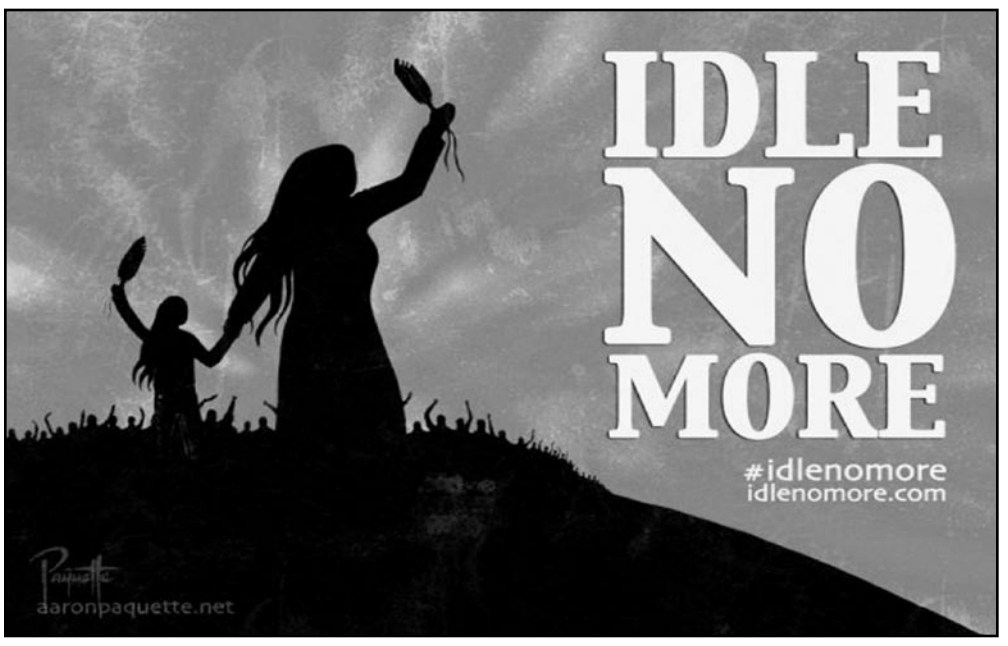
Hagar has set the tone for some of the greatest rock songs ever written, such as *I Can't Drive 55*, *Right Now*, and *Why Can't This Be Love*. He's earned respect of the music industry with a Grammy Award and induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and is currently on his fourth run with the group Chickenfoot. Along his journey, Hagar has also become a family restaurant and beach bar owner as well as a New York Times best-selling author.



Hagar is also a big supporter of non-profit organizations in the fight to end hunger. While in Oklahoma he donated 2,500 meals to the Regional Food Bank.

Upcoming shows for the Lucky Casino Event Center, American rock band, The Doobie Brothers, Feb. 15, country artist Trace Adkins, March 16, R&B artist, Nelly, April 6 and comedian, Larry the Cable Guy, April 20, 2013.

For more information visit Lucky Star Casino Website www.luckystarcasino.org.



Time for Tribal Councils to pass declarations or resolutions in support of "Idle No More" movement

By Derek Bailey

When the "Idle No More" movement began in early December 2012, entrenched in a humble and earnest spirit, the focus of tribal sovereignty, citizens' rights and environmental protection have been at the forefront. Tribal citizens from the First Nations in Canada responded abruptly to proposed legislation (Bill C-45) that looked to significantly impact tribal sovereignty, self-determination and rights.

What has transpired to date is nothing short of historic, or better yet an Indigenous prophecy shared inter-tribally, of a generation that would bring the Anishinaabek together and trumpet the rightful place and existence that have been known by prior generations and ancestors.

Leading the way have been the elders, women and men, the youth, the singers and drummers, political activists, veterans, round dancers, and non-Native supporters. One driving force behind the "Idle No More" movement has been with social media. Flash mobs throughout Canada and the United States have been successfully coordinated thru Facebook and Twitter.

Individuals have created photographs with powerful wording to capture this moment. One in particular photograph I can recall was that of a non-Native Canadian. He held a sign, on the side of the road, that read, "Itâ€™s not an Indian thing…It's a Canadian thing." How right he is, but it's more than Canada, it's a "Citizen thing."

Recently, Tribal Council with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB), signed Declaration 010613-01. This Declaration is titled: LTBB Support for the First Nations of Canada and the "Idle No More" Movement.

I applaud and commend this necessary action taken by tribal leaders that recognizes legislative attacks on tribal sovereignty be it here or in Canada. The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians recognized that a voice that needs to be called upon and be present, if now more than ever, is that of our tribal leaders from Tribal Nations in the United States.

I ask all to review LTBB's Declaration. But please do not stop there. Print it out, email the link, but please get this to your respective Tribal Councils and ask that they, as your elected officials, take similar action - whether through a Declaration or a Resolution - at their next Council meeting.

We are in a time that sitting idle is not the answer. We need to keep at the forefront, being proactive, embracing tribal unity without regard for foreign boundaries, and stand strong as Ancestors for future generations.

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Two and a half years later, implementation of the law remains a mixed-bag on reservations nationwide.

From New Mexico to Mississippi, law officers, prosecutors, health care workers and victim advocates have been trying to chip away at the problem, but former U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan, a North Dakota Democrat who was the chief sponsor of the legislation, admits change is slow.

"It can be life or death for people," Dorgan said.

Many of the 566 federally recognized tribes have blamed a lack of funding for not moving ahead more quickly. While the federal government is providing some money for new programs, tribes are responsible for funding other elements of the law.

In other cases, tribal governments are still deliberating exactly how to institute the new measures, which require rewriting tribal constitutions or criminal codes.

"Tribes are thoughtful and careful about how they go through this stuff. You don't just change a criminal justice system overnight," said John Dossett, general counsel for the National Congress of American Indians.

The Hopi of northern Arizona were among the first in the nation to increase criminal sentences under the law. The tribe spent 18 months updating criminal codes to create a new class of felonies that could result in more jail time for convicted offenders.

Few tribes have put together all the pieces required to boost jail time, but progress is being made on other fronts. The Southern Utes in Colorado are now contracting with the federal government to hold detainees. On South Dakota's Rosebud Sioux reservation, tribal officials worked with the U.S. attorney's office to create a diversion program to keep juveniles out of trouble.

In Montana, special teams made up of tribal and federal officials were established last summer to investigate sexual assault cases.

The FBI has added a dozen victim specialists, and about 30 more federal prosecutors are working in Indian Country than there were four years ago. In New Mexico, for example, an assistant U.S. attorney is stationed now in Gallup, near the Navajo Nation.

Nationally, more than 2,000 criminal justice professionals have been part of a U.S. Department of Justice training initiative to improve prevention, investigation and prosecution of reservation crime and the Indian Health Service last year more than tripled the number of workers trained to respond to sexual assault cases and conduct forensic exams.

At the Acoma Pueblo, officials started a new wellness program that aims to rehabilitate repeat offenders who are on probation by monitoring their alcohol use, providing substance abuse and mental health counseling and helping them earn GED certificates or return to college.

"We're changing our jail to more of a healing center and it's working," Acoma Public Safety Director Glenn Kelsey said. "They're getting educated, they're getting jobs, and now they're seeing what life is really about."

Tribal officers are also funneling more cases that involve habitual offenders like Kirby Sanchez to federal courts, where punishments can be stiffer.

Sanchez had been arrested a dozen times between 1993 and 2010 on aggravated battery and assault charges. Each time he was released, the same story played out.

"He would talk to me ... and tell me he was so sorry for what he did," Robin Sanchez said. "I thought, well, maybe if I stay and deal with it, I'll be okay. I've gotten this far."

After the 2011 attack, Sanchez was prosecuted in federal court and last month was sentenced to 37 months in prison, his longest jail sentence yet. Robin Sanchez is using that time to seek counseling in hopes of breaking the cycle.

Experts note that crime statistics in Indian Country are rising as more people report crimes and data collection improves under the new law.

In New Mexico, federal prosecutors opened 43 sexual assault cases in Indian Country in 2010. In the first nine months of 2012, that number increased to 62, said New Mexico U.S. Attorney Ken Gonzales.

In Montana, such cases have increased by about 12 percent, said Mike Cotter, the U.S. attorney there.

Both Gonzales and Cotter said they are trying to get prosecutors into the field more often, despite the time and distance involved in traveling to remote reservations.

Others said real change will happen only when tribes are given the opportunity to assert full authority over prosecuting crimes that happen on reservation lands, including the ability to prosecute non-Indians.

Troy Eid, a former U.S. attorney from Colorado and chairman of the commission, said overseeing the law's implementation:, "by and large the system itself is flawed and will need to be changed."

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quick shooting capabilities and was created by Comb's grandson.

"Combs began his 23 year career in 1953, as a trooper working in Anadarko. Combs quickly rose through the ranks of the Highway Patrol serving in Lawton, Clinton, Enid, Vinita and Oklahoma City. He had God-given communication skills and an incredible hand-eye coordination, which made him a natural spokesman for gun safety and highway safety programs throughout the state of Oklahoma," Roan said. "By using quick draw tricks Combs could capture the attention of any group."

The next presentation was by Richard Wintory, former Oklahoma County assistant District Attorney.

"I am here to tell you about Bernard J. Schmidt, at the age of 18 Schmidt began his career as a dispatcher for the Bethany Police Department and later became the first police detective before being promoted to Lieutenant and Captain. He retired after 21 years of police service," Wintory smiled. "He served as a fraud and financial crimes investigator for Liberty Bank before joining the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Special Investigation Unit in 1984. Schmidt has served over 50 years in Oklahoma law enforcement having worked in a number of high profile cases resulting in major drug and murder convictions and the forfeiture of drug proceeds. I am honored to know this man and he is deserving of this great honor."

The crowd clapped as Schmidt accepted his special medallion from Lamb.

Inductee, Robert Eugene Frusher was honored for his career as a serviceman and first lieutenant placed in charge of the newly created Department of Special Services in 1959.

"Frusher, as the commander of Special Projects recovered over 147 drowning victims, which prompted the creation of water and boat safety education programs. He was soon promoted to captain over safety education and under his leadership programs for traffic and water safety were greatly improved and promoted across the waters of Oklahoma," Capt. Jerry Cook, retired Oklahoma Highway Patrol said. "Frusher also oversaw the partnering with the Civil Defense to train for disaster responses ranging from burning buildings, storms, tornados and crowd and riot control. Anyone who knows Frusher, knows that he is not only a dedicated lawman, but also a dedicated family man. His commitment to the safety of Oklahoma's citizens has and always will be one of his priorities."

The audience stood to their feet and cheered as Frusher was presented with the Bill Tilgham medallion from Lamb.

Presenter Bill Boese, retired U.S. attorney officer spoke of inductee, Clayton Johnson for his persistence and dedication for community policing, promoting public safety and becoming a model for other departments.

"When I first met Clayton after becoming a police officer for Ponca City Police Department he said to me he wanted to be chief of police. I thought to myself slow down, you have only been on the force for a year," Boese laughed. "Well little did I know at the time he would shortly become the chief six years later. As chief he oversaw the formation of the Ponca City Police and went on to serve for 24 years retiring as chief. During his time as chief he initiated one of the first Citizen Police Academy and Youth Police Academy classes with the formats becoming models for other departments. From 1999-2012 Johnson served on the council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), in 2010 he was appointed by the President as the U.S. Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma, which he currently serves."

The Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame was established to identify and honor past historical law enforcement individuals as well as living men and women, who, while serving at all levels of the profession, display a personal integrity as an outstanding leader in the fields of law enforcement.

For information to nominate an inductee for 2013 visit www.oklahomalawenforcementmuseum.org.

The Bill Tilgham medallion is given to individuals recognizing their outstanding efforts in striving to bring honor and professionalism to the law enforcement profession.

Legislative News

Submitted Ramona Tallbear, Legislative Clerk

Community Meetings

The Legislature has Public Hearings scheduled throughout the month at various locations. These Public Hearings are actually community meetings that are held by the Legislators in order to present to tribal members Bills that are being considered. In many cases there is a meal provided at the community. Notice of these meetings are faxed to locations within each community:

Hutch's in Weatherford
Canton Foods
Jim's IGA in Watonga
Karl's Apple Mart in Watonga
Jiffy Trip in Longdale
Lucky Star in Canton and Clinton
Feather Warrior in Watonga
Tribal College in Weatherford
Housing Authority
Independent Living Center in Clinton
Smokeshop at Canton, Clinton, Concho
Indian Health Service in Watonga and El Reno
Community Centers in Watonga, Seiling, Geary and Canton and Clinton
Headstarts in Clinton, Canton and Concho
Food Distribution in Watonga
Geary Nursing Home
BIA Southern Plains Regional Office in Anadarko
George Hawkins Treatment Center in Clinton

The Legislature invites all tribal members to attend these community meetings, share a meal and get information regarding Legislative Bills.

December Special Session

The Resolution to Appropriate and Distribute Funds from Tax Commission Revenues for Per Capita Distribution was passed at the Special Session held Dec. 13, 2012.

December Regular Session

The Governor signed into law three acts from the December Regular Session. These are:

- A Legislative Order Confirming the Nomination of Mary Beaver as Health Board Commissioner
- A Legislative Order Confirming the Nomination of Margie Pewo as Health Board Commissioner
- A Bill to Establish an Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2013 for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

The Governor vetoed the following Bills and Resolutions:

- An Act to Amend the Cheyenne and Arapaho Law and Order Code to Provide Full Faith and Credit to Foreign Court Judgments
- A Resolution to Call for a Special Election To Amend the Cheyenne and Arapaho Constitution
- An Act to Create the Cheyenne and Arapaho Department of Energy
- An Act to Amend the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Election Law

For additional information please contact your local legislator or the legislative clerk's office at (405) 422-7778.

Important Information from the Clinton Service Unit

The Clinton Service Unit is constantly striving to improve services. Input and suggestions from patients are a valuable part of the evaluation process. Two new surveys have been created that only take a few minutes to complete. Patients are encouraged to take a moment to either complete a paper copy or go online and complete the following surveys:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/Patient Assessment or
www.surveymonkey.com/s/Physician Assessment

The mission of the Clinton Indian health Center is to promote a culture that supports and develops caring, compassionate and competent healthcare.

Clinton IHA Appt. Line (580) 331-3339
El Reno IHS Appt. Line (405) 422-8409
Watonga IHA Appt. Line (580) 623-4991

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EL RENO INDIAN HEALTH CENTER 405-422-8416

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8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

FRIDAYS (CLINTON FACILITY ONLY)
8:00 AM – 10:30 AM WALK-IN APPOINTMENTS ONLY (FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE)

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What a wonderful world with the Section 184-Native American home loan

Submitted by JoeAnna Thompson

Great things are happening for Native Americans and especially, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, with the help of a tool called The Section 184 Home Loan.

The Section 184 home loan started in 1992 by Congress. Congress wanted to promote Native American homeownership, on and off the reservations. They called this home loan, The Section 184. They wanted to give Native Americans better opportunities with credit approval.

These loans are able to be utilized with only a 2.25 percent down payment on a loan amount of $50,000 or up. Any loan amount that is under $50,000 only has a 1.25 percent down payment. It can be used to purchase a new home, new home construction, or purchase an existing property.

The borrower can also use this home loan to remodel their existing home that they currently own as their primary residence. These loans require no monthly mortgage insurance. The government only charges a one percent fee that can be financed into the loan. The great item about this loan is that it is very similar to a conventional loan, but is detailed for the Native American.

Our goal at First State Bank of Yukon is to partner with your tribe's Housing Authority by pre-qualifying each tribal member who is interested in buying a home and educating tribal members by offering homebuyer classes, budgeting courses, and family leadership training.

Section 184 Home Loan Training
Feb. 13, 2013
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cheyenne & Arapaho Housing Authority
Clinton, Okla.

We will verify that you're considering a property in an area that is eligible for 184 financing. You can also visit my personal Website, www.joeannathompson.com and click the link that says Eligible Areas. Verify with your tribe's local housing authority or field office that you are a registered member of that tribe.

This loan is not only for low income households. There is no income limitation. There are no credit score requirements with our Section 184 program. Our bank abides by the HUD underwriting guidelines which equals good news for your file. It's a fixed interest rate, so your rate never changes.

You may be asking, "What can I use as my down payment?"

You are able to use your own funds, gift funds, secured loan funds, or tribal down payment assistance. The seller of the home is able to pay closing costs and pre-paids. This is a strong mortgage program, and we are eager to help you acquire your home loan.

To learn more about homeownership and the Section 184 program, please attend The Section 184 Home Loan Training on Feb.13, 2013 from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Cheyenne and Arapaho Housing Authority in Clinton, Okla.

JoeAnna Thompson, Section 184 loan specialist.

A Section 184 loan specialist will also be available every Friday for four weeks starting, Feb. 15, 2013, all day at the Housing Authority in Clinton, Okla., to answer any questions and take your application for credit approval. Now is the time to aspire to achieving to your dream of homeownership. It starts with you.

I can be reached at (405) 888-0333 or by email, Joeanna.thompson@yahoo.com or by visiting my Website site at JOEANNATHOMPSON.com

If you are interested in other classes or training courses, please go to my website and click "EVENTS".

SECRET SHOPPERS WANTED

The Clinton Service Unit Needs Your Help!

The Clinton Service Unit is looking for people to help us evaluate our services using a "secret shopper" style format. Our "secret shoppers" will be asked to utilize our services without alerting the staff that they will be evaluated on the services they provide. They will then be asked to complete an evaluation form and offer comments and suggestions.

If you are interested in helping provide this valuable service, please contact Corey Rodgers at the Clinton Indian Health Center for More information.

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New head start learning center

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Washington enthusiastically described their new kitchen, equipped with an icemaker and new appliances, a break room, a speech room and pointed out many of the amenities inside the learning center.

"We have a gym so if the weather is too bad for the students to go outside they can still have physical activities in the gym, there is a safe room that will hold up to 50 people in case of tornadoes or other severe weather … which is so comforting to have. We have a break room, a speech room, sinks and restrooms for every classroom," Washington pointed out. "The classrooms are bright, clean and just a happy place to walk into."

The learning center was funded by two grants that were researched and obtained by Melvin RomanNose, Cheyenne and Arapaho Energy Conservation coordinator and Colette Berg, Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start director and by contributions from the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Tax Commission.

Miss Mary's new classroom for 3 to 5 year olds.

"There are 15 acres surrounding the learning center that we can expand with other facilities and to develop buildings in this area. Trees and landscaping architecture will be planned around those buildings and the center," RomanNose said. "The building that the head start was using is a historical building and being such there are grants available to restore that building, which the energy department will help in any way we can to obtain those grants to do that."

Among the guest speakers at the grand opening were Cheyenne and Arapaho Gov. Janice Prairie-Chief Boswell, Chief of Staff Ida Hoffman, RomanNose, Berg, Bruce Whiteman, C1 Legislator and Patrick Spottedwolf, A3 Legislator.

"I want to thank everyone for coming out today. This is a happy occasion. When I first came into office we were touring all the Cheyenne and Arapaho facilities and we went out to the head start here in Canton to visit with the teachers and the children. We were trying to decide what one of our first projects was going to be. The teachers were telling me how cold that building was in the wintertime and how hard it was for the children to try and make it out that far to come to school in bad weather, when it rains it is muddy out there. One of the things I specifically remember is a teacher telling me one of her students came up to her one day, a little boy, as she was talking to another teacher. He was tugging on her shirt to get her attention and she told him, 'just a minute wait until I am done talking.' When she was done she turned around to find out what he needed and the little boy said, 'there's a spider over there, a big spider over there.' She said where and walked down where he was pointing to find a big bull snake. She said they got the kids out of the building and called someone out there to remove the snake and though its kind of a funny story, it showed what kind of conditions the children were going to school under," Boswell said laughing. "I felt, when we came into this building, such a happy, warm feeling as soon as I walked in. It is bright, clean, and an atmosphere of happiness is the only way I know to describe it. These are future leaders of our tribes and our country and we need to provide them with the best possible tools for their education that we can. It was so nice to come into a nice warm and safe building. They have a safe room in case of extreme weather and it was really nice to know these kids out here will be protected and safe. We have accomplished something really good out here. Melvin and Colette have done a wonderful job bringing this project through to the end and I really appreciate all the hard work that has gone into this building. I want to thank all the contractors, Melvin, Colette, the teachers and everyone who was involved in this project."

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Canton head start's grand opeing ribbon cutting.From l-r: Melvin Roman Nose, Pam Sutton, (child in front of, Kobe Little Thunder, parent Rusty Whetstone, (child in front Haven Whetstone), Ida Hoffman (child in front, Skylar Plain), Janice Prairie Chief-Boswell, Colette Berg (child in front Livia Fourhorns), and Shelene Washington.

Also asked to address the audience, Hoffman took the microphone and said, "After seeing the previous conditions that our students were learning in, this is a huge accomplishment for our tribes. One of the basic fundamentals in life is teaching our children and our grandchildren. They are given to us for just a little while to take care of them, to teach them and to educate them. They really don't belong to us, they belong to Ma'heo, it is our important role in life that we take care of them and teach them the important things of life. I read somewhere the things that are taught to our children are things that we, as adults now, should remember and sometimes we don't. As we get older in life maybe we can go back and look at some of the lessons our students are taught, such as play well with others, look both ways before you cross a street, be honest, hold hands, tell the truth, get a lot of rest, eat healthy, don't hit and most importantly to pray. Those lessons are some of the lessons that are going to be taught here. We are very very proud of the students and I thank Melvin and Colette for making this dream come true and most of all I would like to thank the governor for her foresight that she wanted something better for our students here, and not just in this community but in other communities as well."

Berg said plans were underway to build a daycare facility, but also expressed the idea of sharing daycare and head start within the same building using the wrap around concept currently being utilized in Laguna, N.M.

"We are so excited to have this wonderful new facility for our children. We have extra rooms here and we may try to consider offering day care here also. There are others utilizing the wrap-around system, where you just switch out the teachers and the children really don't realize when the transition from head start to daycare occurs because they stay in the same classroom, but have different teachers. It's really a neat program. In New Mexico they are using the wrap around program where they have early head start, head start and child care and rather then taking the children out of the building, transporting them somewhere else, they are able to remain in the classroom and only the staff rotate," Berg said. "All their services, speech screening, any of that, the providers would travel to the facility and that's what we would like to see happen in the future."

Currently the Canton Head Start is licensed for 35 students, with current enrollment at 31 students. Washington said they are hoping to increase the number of students by opening up a third classroom and is encouraging qualified teachers to apply in order to reach that goal.

Four year old Ambre Birdshead finds her name on the carpet in her new classroom.

Elder finds joy in living

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Harding smiled.

Harding graduated from Canton High School in 1959 where she went to work as a caretaker for a local family's children for two years. Until one night when she was 20 years old and walked into a bar and saw, who would become, her husband.

"I walked into a bar called Ranch Os over in Fairview one night and the first time I saw him I said to myself, that was the man for me," laughing Harding went on to say, "Later he told me when he saw me for the first time he said the same thing, 'that's the woman for me.' He was tall, at least 6 foot, with dark hair and green eyes … we were married and stayed that way for 48 years."

Berlin "Bud" and Geraldine Harding's wedding day picture, 1961.

Harding's husband, Berlin "Bud" Harding worked in Alva building houses and she became a stay at home mother.

"We have three children, Randy, my son is our oldest and then we have Sherry and Susan. He got that nickname Bud because he would climb up on the table when he was little and eat butter," she said laughing. "We were married 48 years, when he passed away in 2010 … he was pretty special to me and he always will be."

Harding said the day she walked into the room and found her husband lying on the floor dead, impacted her life in a way she will never forget.

"It was Aug. 9, 2010 and I had walked into the room and found Bud lying there on the floor, they said he died from a heart attack … no warning, he wasn't sick or anything, but if he had of been he wouldn't have said anything about it," Harding sadly recalled the day that changed everything in her life. "I called my daughter, Sherry and Sherry brought me here to live with her and her family and I have been here since … I was really, really happy with my husband, he was so good to me, it feels like I have lost part of myself and he will always be with me but life has go to go on. I find my strength in the Lord and in prayer."

Sherry, Harding's daughter, said her father had done everything for her mother, taken care of her and their home and she said her mother was in a state of shock when she arrived at their house.

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Geraldine Mae Harding, 72, enjoys going to church, watching Golden Girls and the Oklahoma Sooners.

"Dad pretty much took care of everything for mom, she lost everything that day so I brought her here to live with me and my family," Sherry said.

Harding described her daughter as being a good Christian, with a kind and gentle heart like her father.

"I have had a good life, I miss my husband and always will but I have eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren who are all precious to me," she said.

Harding has had several surgeries since her husband's death, but maintains a spirit of thankfulness. She said she enjoys watching OU Sooners play, and her favorite television show, Golden Girls, and attending church.

"I believe that the secret of life is a strong spiritual life and I want to say the tribes have been good to me and I appreciate the Arapahos and all they do for me."

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College receives $500,000 from tribes

Submitted article

(Weatherford) OK-The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, through its Tax Commission, recently presented a $500,000 check to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College (CATC), located on the campus of its partner institution, Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) on Dec. 14, 2012 in Weatherford, Okla.

Governor of the tribes, Janice Prairie Chief-Boswell made the presentation to Chief Lawrence Hart, Chairman, Board of Regents for CATC. Others attending the presentation included Cheyene and Arapaho tribes' Treasurer, Cornell Sankey, SWOSU President Randy Beutler, Chief of Staff, Ida Hoffman, CATC President Henrietta Mann, and Tax Commissioner, Parry Roman Nose.

Submitted photo

Cheyenne and Arapaho Gov. Janice Prairie-Chief Boswell (bottom left) presents a check for $500,00 to Chief Lawrence Hart, Chairman, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College (CATC) Board of Regents, (bottom right) in Weatherford, Okla.

Others attending the presentation included (back row l-r): Cornell Sankey, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Treasurer, SWOSU President, Randy Beutler, Ida Hoffman, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Chief of Staff, CATC President Henrietta Mann, and Parry Roman Nose, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tax Commissioner.

CATC is currently located on the campus of SWOSU, which has served as the tribal college's partner and host institution since its inception.

On behalf of the tribes' Tax Commission, Boswell made the presentation to Hart. The presentation took place at the regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents.

Mann said the presentation was another historically jubilant day for CATC in terms of its continuing development.

"With this significant appropriation, the Cheyenne and Arapaho people are making a major investment in the future higher education of their youth," Mann said. "And for this we are humbly thankful."

In late 2003, the Cheyenne and Arapaho people, through a resolution at the annual Tribal Council meeting, directed the tribal government to establish a tribal college.

Quinton Roman Nose, then director of the Department of Education, was the individual charged with the responsibility for putting the process into place. With the creation of a Board of Directors/Regents, planning subsequently resulted in a partnership between the Board and SWOSU under President John Hays.

Two highlights in its brief history include opening ceremonies on Aug. 25, 2006 and the inauguration of its first president, Henrietta Mann, Ph.D. on April 3, 2008.

Aside from its mission of providing a quality, cultural-based general education for its students, CATC is working toward gaining membership in the American Indian Higher Education Consortium and eventual accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission.

"Although there is much work to be done, this small college is an exceptional vision consistent with the sovereign status of the Cheyenne and Arapaho people who have always placed a high value upon education," Mann said.

EATING well for DIABETES

By Tara Conway, MS, RD/LD, CDE
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

February is National Heart Month

What is heart disease?

Heart disease is the hardening of the arteries due to build up on walls of the heart from fat, cholesterol and other substances. It is chronic, develops over years and the heart does not get enough nutrient rich blood.

Who is at risk for heart disease?

Individuals between the ages of 40 to 60 years old. Estrogen levels drop during menopause and they catch up to men usually 10 years after that or age 55.

Persons more at risk include those who smoke (lowers HDL cholesterol (good cholesterol), have high cholesterol/blood pressure, overweight or obese (BMI 30 or greater), physical inactivity, diabetes or family history of early heart disease, dietary factors that contribute to heart disease, high cholesterol, triglycerides, fats (trans fats, hydrogenated fats, saturated fats) and the consumption of fast food and fried foods.

What is cholesterol?

A waxy steroid transported in the blood plasma, your body produces cholesterol and it is also found in foods.

What are triglycerides?

Chemical form that exists in most foods, triglycerides in blood come from fats eaten in foods or made in the body from other energy sources like carbohydrates. Calories eaten at a meal and not used immediately are converted to triglycerides and are stored in fat cells.

What is fat?

There are three important types of fat unsaturated fats (mono and poly unsaturated), saturated fats and trans fats.

The Feb. 15, 2013 article will be ways to prevent heart disease.

For more information about heart disease, diabetes or overall health issues, call the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Diabetes Wellness Program at (405) 422-7685.

Northern Cheyenne tribe swears in new judge

Submitted article

Donna Limpy Gonzales was sworn in as the new Northern Cheyenne Tribal Judge on Nov. 16, 2012 in Lame Deer, Mont.

Gonzales pledged to uphold the Northern Cheyenne Tribal constitution, Northern Cheyenne tribal laws, Indian Civil Rights and above all to protect the Northern Cheyenne sovereignty and the Cheyenne and So'taeo'o traditional laws.

Gonzales is a graduate of Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Okla. and is an enrolled member of the Northern Cheyenne tribe. She was a member of both the Northern and Southern Cheyenne Bar Association.

Gonzales is the daughter of the late Fred and Sophia Limpy of Fonda, Okla.

Highway 212 sang traditional Cheyenne honor songs for all the newly elected officials at the swearing in ceremony.

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Pico-de-Gallo Chicken Quesadillas

Cooking with USDA Foods

Recipes furnished by the Cheyenne & Arapaho Food Distribution Program

2 tomatoes, diced
½ onion, thinly sliced
1 onion, finely chopped
1 green bell pepper, thinly sliced
2 limes, juiced
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 T chopped fresh cilantro
4 (12 in) tortillas
1 jalapeno pepper, seeded, minced
1 cup shredded cheese
¼ cup sour cream for topping
2 chicken breast, skinless & deboned, cut into strips
Salt & pepper to taste

In a small bowl, combine tomatoes, onion, lime juice, jalapeno, salt and pepper. Set aside. In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon olive oil. Add chicken and sauté until cooked through and juices run clear. Remove chicken from skillet and set aside.

Put the remaining 1 tablespoon of olive oil in the hot skillet and sauté the sliced onion and green pepper until tender. Stir in the minced garlic and sauté until the aroma is strong. Mix in half of the pico-de-gallo and chicken breast meat. Set aside; keep warm.

In a heavy skillet, heat one flour tortilla. Spread ¼ cup shredded cheese on the tortilla and top with ½ the chicken mixture. Sprinkle another ¼ cup cheese over the chicken and top with another tortilla. When bottom tortilla is lightly brown and cheese has started to melt, flip quesadilla and cook on the opposite side. Remove quesadilla from skillet and cut into quarters. Repeat with remaining ingredients. Serve with sour cream and remaining pico-de-gallo.

BRIEFS

The 18th annual Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day

Feb. 5, 2013 at the Arizona State Capitol in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information visit www.ncai.org.

Fund Reporting for Tribal Organizations

Feb. 19-20, 2013 at the Tropicana Hampton Inn in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Tribal Casino and Hotel Development Conference

Feb. 21-22, 2013 at the Casino Del Sol in Tuscon, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

The 2013 NIEA Legislative Summit-Standing for High Quality Native American Education

Feb. 25-27, 2013 at the Holiday Inn Capitol in Washington, D.C. Register by Feb. 15. For more information visit www. niea.site-ym.com/legsummit2013.

Indian Country's Enrollment Summit

March 6-8, 2013 in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Tribal Education Management Summit

March 6-8, 2013 in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Native American Guns and Hoses-Emergency Services and Management Conference

March 20-21, 2013 at the Hyatt French Quarter in New Orleans, LA. For more information visit www.nativenationevents.org.

Indian Gaming Phoenix 2013 Tradeshow and Convention

March 24-27, 2013 at the Phoenix Convention Center in Phoenix, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www. indiangaming.com.

The fourth annual Native American Health Care Conference and Native American Mental Health Symposium

March 25-26, 2013 at the Hyatt French Quarter in New Orlenas, LA. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

The seventh annual National Native American Economic Development Conference

May 20-21, 2013 at the Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas in Las Vegas, Nev. Information on managing and balancing debt, risk management, legal/IRS updates and financing for both gaming and non-gaming projects. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

The sixth annual Energy Projects in Indian Country Conference

May 20-21, 2013 at the Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas in Las Vegas, Nev. New developments in oil and gas, solar, wind and bio-mass. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

FAFSA applications due to be completed

For students who will attend college in the 2013-2014 academic year, now is the time to send in your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application. New applicants must first go to www.fafsa.ed.gov and apply for a pin number. The pin number will be sent to your e-mail address or your home address. Once you have received your pin number and have income information available, you can then go to the same website and complete your application online. Your pin number will suffice as your signature. Keep your pin number in a safe place as you will be required to use it throughout your college years.

To parents, please complete your income tax report early so your student can then use the information to submit their FAFSA application. If you have not been employed but receive income from other sources, that can be reported as income on the FAFSA application. Your child may be eligible to receive this free scholarship based on the income information you provide. Certain free scholarship grants are given to early applicants, such as the Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant (OTAG). The OTAG program has limited funds and once those funds have been disbursed, there is nothing left for late applicants. Many students do not receive OTAG funds, simply because they do not complete a FAFSA application early. Parents of students under the age of 24 years old must be involved in their child's college preparation. Don't wait until the month before school starts to complete this much needed FAFSA application. Do it now so your child may be eligible to receive extra funds. March 2, 2013 is the FAFSA Priority Deadline so be sure to have your FAFSA submitted ahead of this deadline.

To students, ask your high school counselor to help you and if you cannot get assistance from them, call the Cheyenne and Arapaho Higher Education program at (405) 422-7653 and a counselor will assist you, or send an e-mail to mthorpe@c-a-tribes.org for assistance.

Students who are under 24 years old, are not married, have no dependents, have not been in the military, and are not wards of the court, must have parent income information or income tax information, if one was filed. Students, please ask your parents for a copy of their income tax forms so you can complete the FAFSA application now. All income sources should be listed on the FAFSA application. For example, unemployment, social security benefits, veterans benefits, unemployment benefits, food stamps, retirement benefits, disability benefits, IIM monies, are just some examples of income, however all income needs to be listed on the FAFSA application. You may be required to provide a copy of the income you listed. At present, if a student has a zero index number they should be eligible to receive a PELL grant maximum amount of $2,775 per semester.

Students 24 years old and over know the process and are encouraged to do their FAFSA applications immediately. If you are not sure you will attend school in the fall, submit your FAFSA anyway and if you are able to attend then you will have made the deadline. If you are unable to attend that school, FAFSA funds will not be disbursed unless you have enrolled, accepted and signed the student financial aid paperwork. If you are not sure which school you will attend, you may list additional schools. You will be required to reapply for FAFSA at the beginning of each year and send a new BIA-HIE application by June 1 of each year. The BIA-HIE application can be copied from the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Website, www.c-a-tribes.org/programs/higher education application requirements. This document is five pages.

Tribal students who are applying for a BIA-HIE scholarship are required to apply for the FAFSA.

National Institute on Drug Abuse seeking 2013 Summer Research program participants

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) invites high school and undergraduate students to submit applications for the 2013 Summer Research Program. Under this program students underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral sciences are paired with NIDA funded scientists at research institutions across the United States for 8-10 weeks during the summer to work in the field of substance abuse and addiction research. Internships may involve a variety of experiences including laboratory experiments, data collection, data analysis, patient interviews, library research and literature reviews. Student interns receive a stipend, and if necessary and eligible, provisions for travel and housing expenses.

Complete program information, including the application form, required student qualifications, research site locations and research project descriptions are available at: www.drugabuse.gov/pdf/sposummer.pdf. **The deadline to submit applications for the 2013 program is Feb. 15, 2013.**

For more information, contact Dr. Albert Avila at aavila@nida.nih.gov.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Department Community Meetings

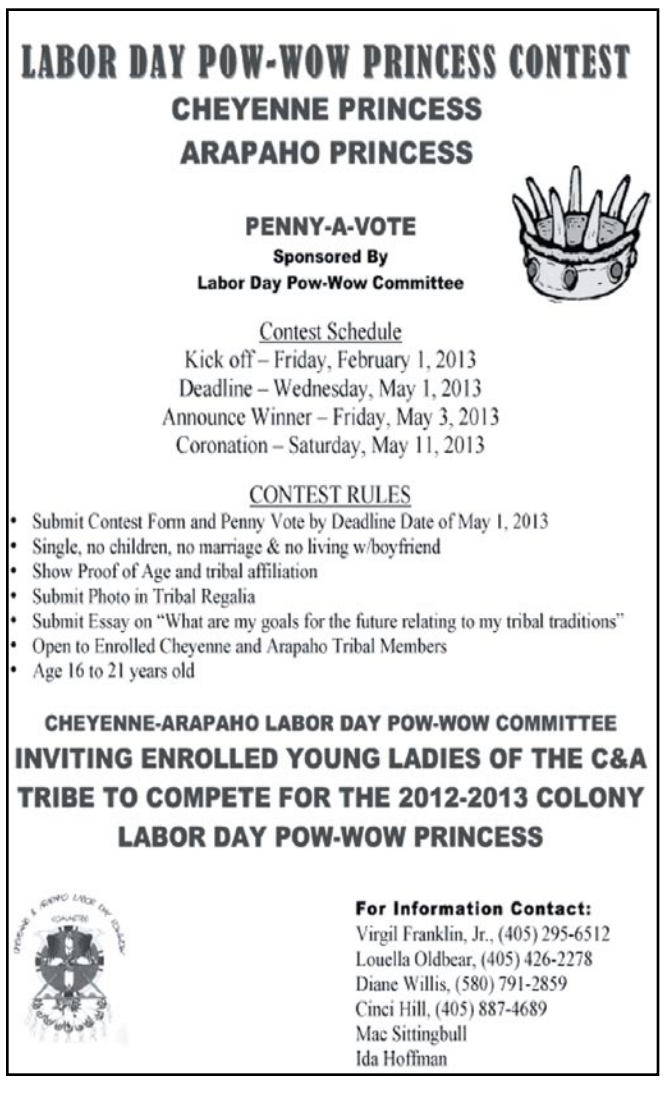
Feb. 6 - 6 p.m. Clinton High School Cafeteria
Feb. 11-6 p.m. Calumet High School Cafeteria
Feb. 13-6 p.m. Geary High School Cafeteria
Feb. 20-6 p.m. Canton High School Cafeteria
Feb. 25-6 p.m. Seiling Community Center
Feb. 27-6 p.m. Watonga Middle School Cafeteria
Mar. 6 - 6 p.m. Weatherford Middle School Cafeteria

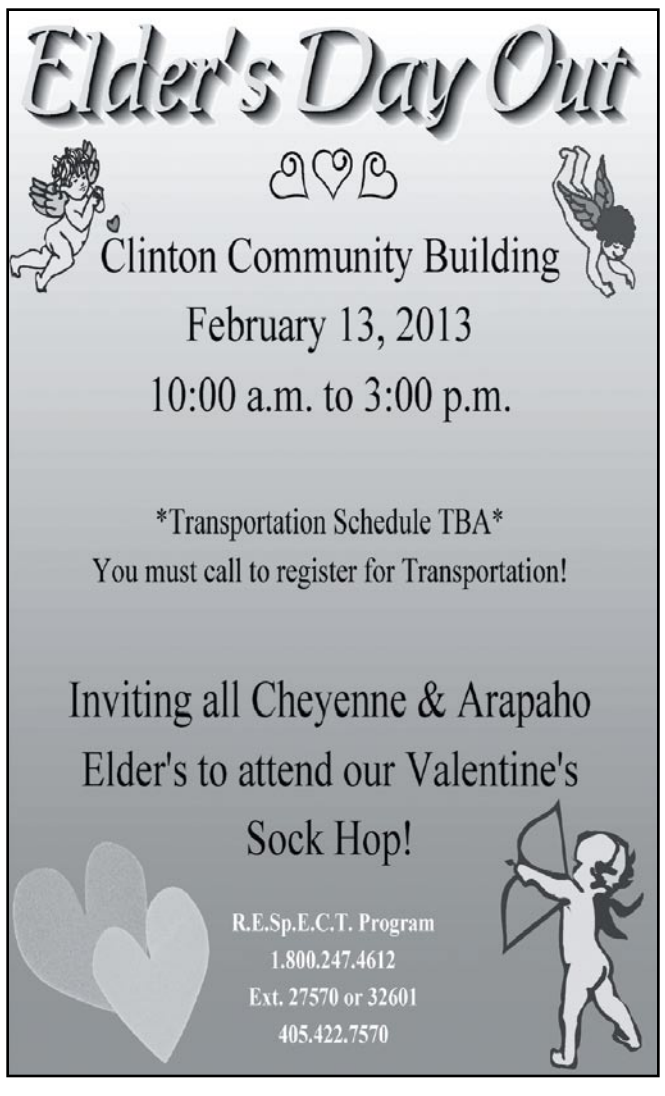
Executive Office Governor Janice Prairie Chief-Boswell Lt. Governor Amber Bighorse NOTICE OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS "COMMUNICATING WITH THE COMMUNITIES"

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 6 P.M.

Feb. 14	Hammon Community Center Hammon, Okla.
Feb. 28	Clinton Community Center Clinton, Okla.
March 14	Canton Community Center Canton, Okla.
March 28	Concho Community Center Concho, Okla.
April 11	OKC-Penn Avenue Church Oklahoma City


LABOR DAY POW-WOW PRINCESS CONTEST
CHEYENNE PRINCESS
ARAPAHO PRINCESS
PENNY-A-VOTE
Sponsored By
Labor Day Pow-Wow Committee
Contest Schedule
Kick off – Friday, February 1, 2013
Deadline – Wednesday, May 1, 2013
Announce Winner – Friday, May 3, 2013
Coronation – Saturday, May 11, 2013
CONTEST RULES
Submit Contest Form and Penny Vote by Deadline Date of May 1, 2013
Single, no children, no marriage & no living w/boyfriend
Show Proof of Age and tribal affiliation
Submit Photo in Tribal Regalia
Submit Essay on "What are my goals for the future relating to my tribal traditions"
Open to Enrolled Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Members
Age 16 to 21 years old
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO LABOR DAY POW-WOW COMMITTEE
INVITING ENROLLED YOUNG LADIES OF THE C&A TRIBE TO COMPETE FOR THE 2012-2013 COLONY LABOR DAY POW-WOW PRINCESS
For Information Contact:
Virgil Franklin, Jr., (405) 295-6512
Louella Oldbear, (405) 426-2278
Diane Willis, (580) 791-2859
Cinci Hill, (405) 887-4689
Mac Sittingbull
Ida Hoffman


Elder's Day Out
Clinton Community Building
February 13, 2013
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Transportation Schedule TBA
You must call to register for Transportation!
Inviting all Cheyenne & Arapaho Elder's to attend our Valentine's Sock Hop!
R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program
1.800.247.4612
Ext. 27570 or 32601
405.422.7570

Powwows & Events CALENDAR

Cheyenne and Arapaho CHR Program Presents Mini Health Fair-Heart Health Prevention

Feb. 1, 2013, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Geary Community Center in Geary, Okla. Wear to show your support of heart health. For more information call Sandra Pratt at (405) 422-7670 or 7672.

Veterans VA Medical Card Sign Up

Feb. 1, 2013, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Watonga Indian Clinic in Watonga, Okla. Bring a copy of DD-214 to be enrolled electronically. Sponsored by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Vocational Rehabilitation Program and the Clinton Service Unit. For more information call (580) 331-3398 or (580) 331-3364.

Elk City Indian Baptist Church Benefit Dance and 70th Birthday Dance for Effie Beartrack

5 p.m. Feb. 2, 2013 at the Clinton Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend to celebrate Effie Beartrack. All proceeds will be donated to replacing the church's heating system. For more information call (580) 715-0759.

Memorial Dance for Burl Kenneth Buffalomeat and J'Shon Leann Youngbear

Feb. 2, 2013 at the Cheyenne and Arapaho Canton Gym in Canton, Okla. Family paint and gourd dance at 2p.m., supper at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited. For more information contact Brian Sevenstar at (405) 201-5574, Chauncy Sutton at (580) 302-0517 or Dana Buffalomeat at (580) 922-3189.

Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Advisory Board Meeting

2 p.m. - 4 p.m., Feb. 4, 2013 at the Youth Family Services, Hwy. 66 in El Reno, Okla. Presentation by Dr. Bill Sharp, Ph.D, Director of Behavioral Health Services. Refreshments will be served. For more information contact John Blackowl at (405) 422-7659.

The 27th annual Tulsa Indian Art Festival

Feb. 8-10, 2013 at the Glenpool Conference Center in Glenpool, Okla. Daily admission $8, three day pass $10. Premiere Night Scholarship Benefit Dinner, Friday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. Silent and live auctions. For more information call (918) 298-2300 or visit www.tulsaindianartfestival.com.

Labor Day Powwow Early Valentine's Day Benefit Dance

Feb. 9, 2013 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dance at 3 p.m., supper at 6 p.m., Inter-Tribal dance at 7 p.m. Two step contest. Everyone welcomed to attend. For more information contact Louella Oldbear at (405) 426-2278 or Virgil Franklin at (405) 923-0424.

Seminole Nation Honor Guard Contest Powwow

Feb. 9, 2013 at St. Gregory's University in Shawnee, Okla. Co-host, Comanche Little Ponies. Gourd dancing at 1 p.m. Grand Entry at 7 p.m. For more information contact Rex Haily at (405) 382-3900 or Alex Fish at (405) 432-7858.

Cheyenne and Arapaho R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program's Elders Day Out Valentine's Sock Hop

Feb. 13, 2013, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Transportation will be provided. For more information call (800) 247-4612 ext. 27570 or 32601.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Diabetes Wellness Program and American Heart Association One Mile Walk

Feb. 14, 2013 in eight different locations, Hammon, Clinton, Seiling, Canton, Watonga, Geary, Weatherford, Kingfisher and Concho, Okla. T-shirts, snacks and door prizes will be provided. For more details call (405) 422-7723.

50th Birthday Dance for Cheyenne Chief Tommy White Thunder

March 2, 2013 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Dance to begin at 3 p.m. Supper at 5 p.m. For more information call (405) 538-9651 or (405) 368-3450.

Western Heights Indian Education Powwow

March 2, 2013 from 1 p.m. - 10 p.m., 8401 S.W. 44th Street in Oklahoma City, Okla. For more information contact Angela Williams at (405) 350-3420.

Honor Dance for 2012 Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss Indian Oklahoma City

March 16, 2013 at the Shawnee Expo Center in Shawnee, Okla. Contests, raffles, cake drawings. For more information call Shirley at (405) 632-5227 or email swapskineh@sbcglobal.net.

The 2013 Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss Indian Competition

6:30 p.m., March 16, 2013 at the Destiny Christian Center in Oklahoma City. Free admission, reception to follow. More information call Shirley at (405) 632-5227 or email swapskineh@sbcglobal.net.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday
Mom
Feb. 11
I know I don't tell you or show you enough my gratefulness for your love and all the little things that you do for your granddaughters and me. I love how you give of yourself and ask of nothing in return and I know you would like to do more. I hope you have a wonderful 56th Birthday!!
From your daughter, love you momma.

We wish our grandkids a Happy Birthday
Brody Hart, Dec. 28 and Dominik Hart, Jan. 4
From your mom and dad, Michael and Kelly Hart, Phillip, Nancy and John Hart, Emily Whiteman and family, Frank and Alice and Joe and family.

Happy Belated 8th Birthday
Dominic Blindwoman
Jan. 26

Happy Valentine's Day
to our loves!
Isaiah, Miklyn and Aden
Love, mom and dad

Happy 8th Birthday
Jaiden Longan!

Happy 5th Birthday to our little princess, Eryn Violet Ruth Roman Nose
You make every day interesting and fun with your crazy sense of humor. You always manage to keep us on our toes and in line. We love you so much baby!
Mommy, daddy, Chelle, Evan, and Carter

Happy Birthday
Sierra Seneca
We miss and love you so much!
Love, mom, Seth, Levi and baby Tracy

Happy Belated Birthday
Vergenta Littlecalf
Jan. 28 From your family in Oklahoma.

Happy Birthday
Jennifer Jolynn (Poo) Hatten
Feb. 7

Happy Sweet 16!!
Larissa Rhae Walker
Feb. 8
Love your family

Happy Belated Birthday
Wilma Yardley
Jan. 21
Happy Birthday
Erny
Feb. 1
From your family in Oklahoma

I would like to wish my twin sisters Rosemary Armendariz and Roselyn Nolasquez a very Happy Birthday on Jan 22 from all their families from Clinton, Elk City and Hammon Okla.
From a sister and family in Lame Deer, Mont. Mother, Elaine Bird, sisters, Carol Standingwater, Ruth Costilla, and brother, Richard Bird
Happy Birthday hope you both have a great day!
Love you always

Happy Belated 1st Birthday
Thomas Blindwoman
Jan. 23

Happy 6th and 5th Birthday to my baby girls Cordelia Lynn and Dalena Lynette
Momma loves you both with all my heart!!
Love always Ricky, Aubriana, Nova Washa

Happy Belated Birthday
Nathanial Coffey
Jan. 8

Wishing my wife a Happy Belated Birthday
Robin Karty Fraley
Jan. 18
Love you very much and may God bless you with many, many more from your husband Doug, Summer, Alfred, Sunshine, Nathan, Venus, Lonnie, Boo-Boo, Tony, Richie and Justin
Love you very much!

Happy 27th Birthday
William Edward
Black Owl Jr.
Feb.28
Lets start by saying daddy you're the best
Here is to the world's greatest husband and father
Nobody can come close, so don't even bother
Your hazel eyes have me hypnotized, your smile, I could stare at it for a long while, your firm hand wrapped around mine. I love that you were born in Feburary, because you're my valentine.
I don't know if I say it enough, but baby I love you, 'from your stuff'
We can laugh and play and still have fun. You have an awesome sense of humor that makes you the one.
You know how to keep the balance in our after school rush.
You bring the kids in and get them calmed down even when I get flushed
I'm glad we finally have some stability and we made it through our struggles and we can now sit back and celebrate our success.
Love you daddy, love your wife Lauren, the three girls Gertrude-Sara, Nellie Jean and Laquita, and your son baby Will.

Obituaries

Yvette Thunderbull
Aug. 9, 1954 - Jan. 18, 2013

All night Wake services were held for Yvette Thunderbull on Jan. 24, 2013 at the Geary Community Building in Geary, Okla.
Funeral services were held Jan. 25, 2013 at the Geary First Baptist church in Geary, Okla.

Herman Lee Johnson Jr.
Sept. 30, 1959 - Jan. 21, 2013

A Memorial service was held for Herman Lee Johnson Jr. on Jan. 31, 2013 at the Faith Fellowship Church in Oklahoma City.

Ethelyn Yellow Eyes
Sept. 30, 1955 - Jan. 13, 2013

All night Wake services for Ethelyn Yellow Eyes was held on Jan. 19, 2013 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.
Funeral services were held on Jan. 19, 2013 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

Myron Little Coyote
April 3, 1963 - Jan. 4, 2013

Funeral service for Myron Little Coyote was held on Jan. 8, 2013 at the Seiling/Fonda Community Center in Seiling, Okla.

Lloyd Arbuckle
Sept. 17, 195 - Jan. 2, 2013

Funeral service was held for Lloyd Arbuckle on Jan. 12, 2013 at the Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home in Lewisville, Texas.

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IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Application Of:
LN.L-H.
DOB: 05/08/03
A Minor Child
By and through his Natural Father
Randal Hawk
To Change His Name
Case No: CIV-2012-0124

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes to: LISA LUSTY

TAKE NOTICE, that Randal Hawk has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of minor child, as follows, to wit: from LN.L-H. to I.D.H., and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho Trial Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 13th day of FEBRUARY, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 23RD day of JANUARY, 2013.

Ricque Richardson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

Petitioner:
Randal Hawk
1407 W. London
El Reno, OK 73036

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Application Of:
W.W.R.F.
J.R.F.
M.C.D.F.
Minor Children
By and through their Natural Mother,
WILMA LITTLE VOICE
To Change Their Names
Case No. CIV-2013-09

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TAKE NOTICE, that Wilma Little Voice has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change Of Minor Children, as follows, to wit: from W.W.R.F. to W.H.B. and J.R.F. to R.R.B. and M.C.D.F. to M.C.B., and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 13TH day of FEBRUARY, 2013 at 10:00 A.M., and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 14th day of January, 2013.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Application Of:
J.C.A.S.
DOB: 7/22/97
A Minor Child
By and through his Natural Mother
AMBER JEAN BIGHORSE
To Change his Name
Case No: CIV-2013-10

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TAKE NOTICE, that Amber Jean Bighorse has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of minor child, as follows, to wit: from J.C.A.S. to J.C.A.B., and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho Trial Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 13th day of FEBRUARY, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 14th day of JANUARY, 2013.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

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IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

DON RUPERT NOWLIN, Petitioner
vs.
MARY BETH NOWLIN, Respondent
Case No: JFD-2012-0038

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: **MARY BETH NOWLIN**

You are hereby notified that DON RUPER NOWLIN has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2013 at 10:00 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 22ND day of January, 2013.

Plaintiff;
Don Rupert Nowlin
101 South Orange
Seiling, Ok 73663

Edwina Whiteman, Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

JOBS find your Career

Submit tribal application, resume, diploma, transcripts, valid Oklahoma state driver's license and CDIB to: Personnel Department P.O. Box 38 Concho, OK 73022 or e-mail: whaag @c-a-tribes.org.

Canton Facility Coordinator
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

AA degree preferred or two years of supervisory experience. Must possess a high school diploma/GED. Must receive and maintain CPR/First Aid certifications. Knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho people, communities, traditions, culture and customs. Must be able to communicate effectively orally and in writing. Valid Oklahoma driver's license and pass a background check. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference

SALARY: Negotiable

Wellness Technician (Concho)
R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Must have at least one year of experience working sports, recreational field. Knowledge to the tribal member's culture, heritage and beliefs. Good health and physical fitness a plus. Adult and child CPR/first aid certificate required. Valid Oklahoma driver's license. High school diploma or GED. Must be able to perform professionally and culturally appropriate manner. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference

SALARY: Negotiable

Tribal Youth Counselor
Canton, Okla.
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Bachelor's Degree in Education, Social Work, or related field preferred; or an equivalent combination of education and experience working with tribal youth, alcohol or drug prevention, substituting one year of experience in teaching for each year of the required education. Must possess a current Okla. driver's license and have a clean driving record. Pass an OSBI background check and drug test. Must be able to work flexible hours. Cheyenne-Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Dietitian - RD/LD
Wellness Center, Concho
Closing Date: Until Filled

Qualifications:

BA degree in nutrition from an accredited institution preferred. One to two years experience in diabetes education preferred. Possess current registration through the Commission of Dietetic Registration and current licensure through the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision. Work independently and ability to be reliable. Valid Oklahoma driver's license and meet requirements for the use of a GSA vehicle. Familiar with Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal culture. Must submit writing sample if successfully selected for an interview. Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal preference. Work flexible hours including but not limited to evenings and weekends. Must pass OSBI background check.

SALARY: Negotiable

Caseworker, Social Services
Social Services
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Prefer BA in social work or related field or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Requires two years of experience in professional related field. Ability to work flexible hours and willing to work other hours including after 5: p.m. Possess communication skills, written or oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as to the confidentiality regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license to operate a government owned vehicle. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho/American Indian cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele with various social problems and needs.

SALARY: Negotiable

Teacher-Child Care
Concho Child Develop.
Closing Date: Continous

Qualifications:

Teachers hired after July 1, 1995 are required to be at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or G.E.D. certification or have completed the tenth grade and be in the process of obtaining a GED for a period not to exceed 12 months. Must sign employee contract stating employee will attain CDA or Mastery Certification to maintain employment. Must have a valid Oklahoma driver's license. Must pass a physical exam and be able to lift 50lbs. Must be physically fit to work daily with children. Must demonstrate basic knowledge of early childhood development. Must attend staff meetings as well as parent meetings when required. Must submit monthly reports. Must attend workshops and have adequate transportation. Must have skills to relate to the community in general. Must pass a criminal background check. Must pass mandatory drug and alcohol test. Willing to work flexible work schedule. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Content Producer/Writer
Videographer/Reporter
Closing Date: Until Filled

Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED certification required. Minimum three years experience writing, producing and shooting news stories.Valid Oklahoma driver's license. Willingness to travel and work nights and weekends, if necessary. A great attitude and good work ethics a must. Tribal preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Child Protection Worker
Social Services
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Prefer BA degree in related field. Knowledge of various laws, regulations and procedures including the Indian Child Welfare Act and the CFR court procedures. Knowledge of tribal and community resources. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy Act as well as other confidentiality regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Valid Oklahoma driver's license. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho/Native American cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele with various social problems and needs.

SALARY: Negotiable

Teachers-Head Start
Canton, Concho, Clinton
Closing Date:Continuous

Qualifications:

CDA, AA, BA Degree in Early Childhood education and a minimum of two years experience working in an early childhood education classroom or an equivalent combination of training and experience. Early childhood education formal training and able to receive a CDA or an AA degree within 180 days of employment. Must pass drug and alcohol test. Must complete supplemental application. Must complete OKDHS Criminal Review Application. Must pass background investigation.

SALARY: Negotiable

Tribal Youth Counselor
(Part Time)
Geary, Okla.
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Bachelor's Degree in Education, Social Work, or related field preferred; or an equivalent combination of education and experience working with tribal youth, alcohol or drug prevention, substituting one year of experience in teaching for each year of the required education. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license and have a clean driving record. Pass an OSBI background check and drug test. Must be able to work flexible hours. Cheyenne-Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Videographer/Editor
CATV
Closing Date: Until Filled

Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED certification required. Minimum two years experience shooting and editing. Valid Oklahoma driver's license required. Willingness to travel and work nights and weekends. Tribal preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Full Time CHR Van Driver
C-A Service Area
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Valid Oklahoma driver's license and current driving record from the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. Obtain a current CPR certification. Must reside in or near service area. Must pass physical examination and be in good physical condition. TB Skin Test Required. High School diploma or GED certification required. Satisfy an OSBI Background Check. Must have own reliable vehicle and residential telephone. Cannot have a history of chemical abuse. Must attend training and continuing education requirements. Must be able to communicate effectively with different personalities. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Director
Culture and Heritage
Closing date: Until filled

Qualifications:

BA degree in business or Native American studies preferred. AA degree with at least 5 years experience in Cheyenne and Arapaho traditional activities will be acceptable. Three years supervisory experience. The incumbent must be thoroughly familiar with the culture, history and traditions of the Cheyenne-Arapaho tribes. Must be able to make decisions independently and justify all decisions made. Must be able to meet with the tribal members on an individual and group basis. Must be able to demonstrate professional conduct. Must be able to work a flexible schedule. Valid Oklahoma driver's license. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Substitute Teacher Aides-Head Start
Concho, Clinton, Canton
Closing Date:Continuous

Qualifications:

High school diploma or G.E.D. certification and minimum of one year experience working in an early childhood education classroom; or an equivalent combination of training and experience with willingness to obtain additional training and/or obtain additional training/or CDA or state certificate as requested. Work effectively with low-income and special needs children. Ability to work effectively in cross-cultural situations. Use positive approach in directing and redirecting child behavior, and work cooperatively as a member of a team. Current Childhood Emergency/CPA or First Aide/CPR certification or the ability to obtain one and CDL.Obtain and hold current food handler's card or the ability to obtain one. Maintain compliance with Criminal History Registry and agrees to random drug testing. Must complete supplemental application. Must complete OKDHS Criminal Review Application. Must pass background Investigation.

SALARY: Negotiable

Community Health Representative, CHR Program (Permanent)
Area 1
Elreno, Concho, Calument and Kingfisher
Area 2
(Watonga,Geary,Longdale/ Canton and Seiling)
Area 3
Thomas,Weatherford,Clinton,Hammon/ElkCity
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

Be able to perform various functions such as public health screens/activities, regular home visits, public health awareness, document and submit Patient Care Component (PCC) reports, transport clients to medical appointments, measure vital signs and height/weight, understand and write medical terminology, record accurate mileage/maintenance logs. Valid Okla. driver's license and be insurable under the tribe's insurance. Must reside in service area. Must pass a physical be in physical good health with proof TB Skin test and other immunizations. Must pass basic CHR and First Responder Training within one year. Travel required. Maintain GSA vehicle responsibly and follow policy. Must pass OSBI background check. Must high school diploma or GED. Must have own vehicle and residential telephone. Work outside of the hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Be able to utilize computer and email system. Work under stressful conditions. Must follow Tribal policies and procedures. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference

SALARY: Negotiable

Staff Accountant
2 Positions-Treasury
Closing Date: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Prefer AA degree in accounting or a minimum of two years experience in tribal accounting. Experience and knowledge of generally accepted accounting principles. Skill with both spreadsheet and word processing programs. Experience with fund accounting software packages, ie; MIPAble, to organize projects and analyze information in order to complete assigned projects. Communication skills both oral and written. Detail oriented with strong analytical skills.

SALARY: Negotiable

Clinton Site Coordinator
R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, Clinton, OK
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

AA degree preferred or two years of work experience in related field or its equivalent. Must receive and maintain CPR/First Aid certifications. Knowledgeable of the Cheyenne and Arapaho people, communities, traditions, culture and customs. Valid high school diploma/GED required. Valid Oklahoma driver's license. TERO applies (Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal preference)and must pass a background check.

SALARY: Negotiable

Resource Developer
Department of Education
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

BA degree and be working toward a masters degree in field related to communications and writing. Must have at least two years practical experience in the field of grant writing. Must have exceptional oral communications skills and demonstrate technical writing and research skills. Must be willing to adapt to changing demands on a daily basis and work under pressure. Must be able to multi-task on a variety of projects. Organizational skills are critical this and must posse ability to function openly, constructively, and effectively in team-oriented assignments. Knowledge of the Cheyenne and Arapaho government and history.

SALARY: Negotiable

Custodian – On call
Watonga Multi-Purpose Center
Closing Date: Until filled

Qualifications:

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2013 Tailgate Schedule

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
CLINTON #1	8	12	12	9	14	11	9	13	10	15	5	10
SEILING	9	13	13	10	15	12	10	14	11	16	6	11
HAMMON	10	14	14	11	16	13	11	15	12	17	7	12
CLINTON #2	15	19	19	16	21	18	16	20	17	22	12	17
ELK CITY	17	21	21	18	23	20	18	22	19	24	13	19

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SPORTS SPOTLIGHT

Reyna Swift, 18, athlete and senior at Waurika High School.

What sports do you play?

I started out in softball when I was really young playing t-ball, mainly because my dad was the coach. It kind of progressed from there. Track and basketball I started when I was in sixth grade and stayed with all of them because I enjoy playing all of them.

What positions do you play and participate in track?

My freshman and sophomore years I played third base and then I began playing catcher in my junior and senior year. I throw the shot put and disc on the track team, my best throw in discs was 96 ft. and in shot put it was 34'8". My position in basketball is post.

What one or two things do you currently do in your training that are keys to your success?

During softball season I practice everyday, whether our team practices or not. I go to the field or batting cage and practice my hitting and I will stay at my house and play catch with my sister or dad. In track I lift weights. I work on my throwing technique for track. During basketball season I go to the gym and practice my shooting.

What do you do in the off-season?

I don't really have an off-season, I practice even when we have breaks. I really don't do anything else. Well I do go to the movies with my boyfriend.

What would be your ultimate achievement?

In softball I wanted to go to All-State, but that did not happen, but I did get regions and most valuable player in 2012. In track I plan on winning state in shot put, I placed third last year. I have qualified for state for three years, but last year was the first time I placed. In disc I have placed third at regional in my sophomore year.

How do you set your goals?

Well I am really not a goal setter, I work as hard as I can and whatever happens, happens.

What is your biggest challenge, and what do you do to overcome this challenge?

I hate hot weather, since our summers are 100-degree days. I overcome the challenge by just sucking it up.

What one or two things do you believe differentiates you from your peers who have tailed off in their athletic participation?

I am a leader and sort of loud, not that I boss people around, but I will let someone know if they are not doing their job and tell them to step it up and lets get it done. I like to win and I like my team-mates to have the same mind set.

Do you have any hobbies?

I like to take photographs of nature, I have been doing it since I was about 12.

Who is the one person in your life that you look up to?

God first, I am Christian and my dad because he has gone through a lot. In 2006 he was hit by a drunk driver when he was walking across the road. The doctors said he was disabled. I remember he was in a wheelchair and he could not walk for a long time, eventually he began using crutches and now can walk, but through out the whole time he was working in ways to help the family, even though it may of hurt him physically. He is a very strong man and determined to help in any way he can.

Do you have a favorite meal or ritual before a meet or game?

Yes I do, before a softball game I eat cheddar and cheese crackers and drink a yellow Gatorade, because at one of my games I was eating a cracker and I had to hurry up and finish before I hit, during that game I hit a grand-slam and made three home runs, so I have been doing it ever since. For track I don't eat anything, because it would make me sick. I drink a lot of water and listen to music. For basketball, I eat Gorditos and drink a Mountain Dew.

What would be one of your most memorable moments?

Last year at state when they were reading off the medalist, they read off the sixth place winner, than the fifth and my name wasn't called, I really did not think I was going to place at all, but then I started thinking maybe I got fourth place. Then they read the fourth place winner and it wasn't me again, when they called my name for third place I just started crying ... I was really happy.

What is the best advice anyone has ever given you?

My softball coach told me to never take anything personal when someone criticizes me, just shake it off, because they are only pushing me to get better. My softball coach and my dad push me the hardest and encourage me.

Do you have a saying or motto that you live by?

I have a bible verse, Corinthians, 4:13. *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."* That is my favorite verse in the Bible, I have it written on almost everything I own.

What are your plans after high school?

I plan on attending Oklahoma Baptist University (OBU) or East Central University (ECU) in Ada, Okla. I want to major in athletic training and work for OU as an athletic trainer. I have been offered a junior varsity position at OBU. I have not been offered anything from ECU yet, because I did not fill out my recruitment form properly, I messed it up the first time.

Who is your favorite athlete or team?

I like the Sooners.

What is one thing someone may not know about you?

I like to listen to slow music to help me get prepared before a game, I like to calm down. I am already a pumped up type of person and I don't need to get pumped up more. I get focused and slow down ... nerdy music helps me with that.

What type of music do you listen to?

I love Frank Sinatra.

Claims Must Be Filed By March 1, 2013
In $3.4 Billion Indian Trust Settlement

What is This About?

The *Cobell v. Salazar* Settlement is approved. The Settlement resolves a class action lawsuit that claims that the federal government violated its duties by mismanaging trust accounts and individual Indian trust lands. Payments to the Historical Accounting Class are underway. The process of considering claims for the Trust Administration Class is ongoing.

The final deadline if you need to file a claim form for the Trust Administration Class is March 1, 2013.

Am I Included?

The Trust Administration Class includes:

- Anyone alive on September 30, 2009, who:
  - Had an IIM account recorded in currently available electronic data in federal government systems anytime from approximately 1985 to September 30, 2009, or
  - Can demonstrate ownership in trust land or land in restricted status as of September 30, 2009.
- The estate (or heirs) of any deceased landowner or IIM account holder whose account was open or whose trust assets had been in probate according to the federal government's records as of September 30, 2009.

Do I Need to File a Claim Form?

You must file a claim form if you believe you are a member of the Trust Administration Class and you have not:

- Received IIM account statements at your current address anytime between January 1, 1985 and September 30, 2009 and continue to receive statements; or
- Received a payment as a member of the Historical Accounting Class. If you did, you will receive a second payment automatically as a member of the Trust Administration Class; or
- Filed a claim form already using your current address. If you have, the Claims Administrator will contact you.

You must fill out a claim form and mail it to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877, postmarked by **March 1, 2013** in order to receive a payment.

How Much Money Can I Get?

Members of the Trust Administration Class will likely receive at least $800 or more. The actual amount will depend on the number of claims and the costs of administration.

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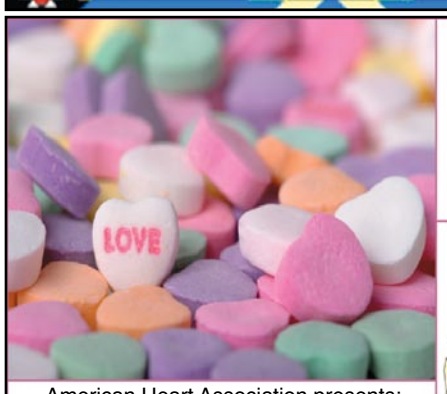

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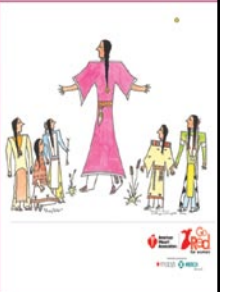

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